

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: All in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

The calendar is adopted.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Freeland.

DELEGATE FREEDLANDER: Mr. Chairman, I am pleased to ask this Convention to welcome five students of Friends School, Baltimore City, with a parent, Mrs. Louis Eliasberg.

THE PRESIDENT: Delighted to have you. *(Applause.)*

Delegate Bryson.

DELEGATE BRYSON: Mr. President, I would like the President to welcome 68 students from the Hampstead Elementary School in Carroll County, along with twelve parents and their teachers, Mrs. Ferrier and Mrs. Baukert.

THE PRESIDENT: We are delighted to have them. *(Applause.)*

Delegate Fox.

DELEGATE FOX: Mr. President and ladies and gentlemen of the Convention: I would like you to join with me in welcoming in the gallery over the rostrum thirty-six students from Wicomico Senior High School in Salisbury, together with their principal, Mr. George Caudle and Mr. Hall Jackson, William Johnson, John Sixby, and Richard Thurston.

I know it is one of the finest high schools in the State of Maryland, because two of my three sons have graduated from it. *(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: There has been distributed on your desk a memorandum in support of the—sorry. Delegate Ritter.

DELEGATE RITTER: Mr. President, I would like the delegates to extend their usual warm welcome to a distinguished visitor we have with us today, Mr. Wilbur Young from Osgood, Indiana, a former State Superintendent of Instruction for eight years. He is an elected official of that State who worked for many years with Dr. Pullen, and is here today observing our deliberations with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. George W. Young, who is secretary to the Honorable Senator Roy Staten from Baltimore County.

THE PRESIDENT: Delighted to have you. *(Applause.)*

Delegate Hopkins.

DELEGATE HOPKINS: Mr. President and fellow delegates: I know you would all like to join me in best wishes to Delegate Hickman who has just let me have the privilege of announcing the arrival of his first granddaughter, Elizabeth Carter Pratt, who was born December 8 at the Bethesda Naval Hospital. *(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Mitchell.

DELEGATE MITCHELL: Mr. President, I would like for the Convention to welcome a delegation from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People which includes Bishop and Mrs. Edgar A. Love of the Methodist Church, Dr. Lilly Jackson, President of the Baltimore branch of the NAACP, and Dr. John Tilly, Director of Voter Education, along with other members. *(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: There has been distributed to your desk in the Convention chamber today a memorandum in support of the deletion of section 10 of Committee Recommendation R&P 2. This is marked at the top "corrected copy."

You have had a copy distributed the latter part of last week. The Committee discovered an error. It has been reprinted. Please return to the page or destroy your old copy, and make sure you keep only the corrected copy.

Because the Christmas spirit is in the air, I have authorized the Chief Page to place on the Clerk's desk in the front a very handsomely wrapped carton, and I will now authorize the page to distribute to each of you a copy of the circular which is on one side of that carton.

The purpose of the carton is to solicit your contribution for a party for the pages. This will be a Christmas party for all the pages, not merely those on duty this week. The circular on one side and the carton on the other, are the work of one of the administrative assistants, Sarah Williams, and I suggest that it is so good that it should be worth a dollar of your money just to come up and look at it. *(Laughter.)*

It will remain there, so you do not all have to rush up at this moment. But before the day is over, please do so.

I would like to take a few minutes to discuss with you a possible schedule of work of the Convention for this week and next.

It has become obvious that the work of the Convention is requiring practically all